

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.	:	10/551,732	Confirmation No. 4329
Applicant	:	Kunihiro Oda et al.	
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Art Unit	:	1733	
Examiner	:	Caitlin Anne Kiechle	
Customer No.	:	00270	
Title	:	TANTALUM SPUTTERING TARGET AND METHOD OF MANUFACURING SAME	

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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This is an Amendment timely filed with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in response to a FINAL Office Action dated April 19, 2010. Kindly amend the application as set forth below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.